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This is the first of a series of news letters to be published by the University System to keep you informed of significant developments in higher education. It is our plan that this letter will be published quarterly, or more frequently as the news dictates. If you feel that the information duplicates something you are currently receiving or does not meet your needs, please let us know and we will remove your name from our mailing list. We welcome your suggestions and comments. More detail on any item can be requested from the Office of Information of the Units.

ENROLLMENT--Montana University System enrollment is down approximately 7.4% compared to a year ago. Among reasons cited for this downward trend are reduced pressure from the draft, the end of the postwar baby boom and rising costs of attending college, plus other economic factors. All college and university units in the System experienced some decline according to gross figures.

NATIONAL--State colleges and universities stand to lose between \$250 million and \$300 million a year if adult status and voting rights for college-age citizens eliminate non-resident tuition charges. This is the finding of a survey of nearly 400 public four-year colleges and universities holding membership in the National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges and the American Association of State Colleges and Universities. The issue of residency for voting purposes and residency for tuition purposes has increasingly become a matter for state and federal courts. Should such findings be upheld in Montana, the Montana University System would stand to lose more than \$2 million annually in non-resident fees. ***** The Office for Civil Rights has issued guidelines requiring colleges and universities to set either percentage or numerical goals for hiring women and minorities if the colleges employ fewer people from those groups than "would reasonably be expected by their availability. Establishing goals should be coupled with the adoption of genuine and effective techniques and procedures to locate qualified members of groups which have previously been denied opportunities for employment or advancement."

BOARD OF REGENTS--At the September meeting held at Northern Montana College in Havre, the Board authorized student registration and incidental fees be charged on a "per student credit hour" schedule rather than flat fees for full time or part time students. The Board also authorized a policy allowing a deferred payment plan for student fees. ***** While meeting in Helena in October the Board authorized Montana State University to reduce the student fee charged for their Home Management laboratory course from \$75 to \$50.

CAPSULE PROFILE--Dr. Fred W. DeMoney arrived on campus July 1st to become Montana Tech's new president. He succeeds Dr. Edwin G. Koch who retired in 1971. Until coming to Tech, DeMoney, who is 52 years old, was the Program Manager for Aluminum Division Research, Kaiser Aluminum Center for Technology, Pleasanton, California. A native of Oak Park, Ill., DeMoney joined Kaiser in 1955 as a Research Metallurgist. Prior to that he had been associated with other major companies in research and engineering capacities. He

also was on the faculty of the University of Minnesota. DeMoney's accomplishments within and outside Kaiser are extensive and include a long list of awards, honors and publications. In 1941 DeMoney was awarded his B.S. degree in Fire Protection Engineering from the Illinois Institute of Technology. He received a M.S. in Metallography in 1951 and a Ph.D. in Physical Metallurgy in 1954 from the University of Minnesota. He and his wife Ione are the parents of five daughters.

PROGRAMS--In view of the increasing uncertainty about job and career opportunities in institutions of higher education, the Units of the Montana University System are now implementing the authority granted by the Regents last July to grant Associate of Arts and Associate of Science degrees. Although the Board specifically limited the associate degrees to those academic programs presently in existence at each of the Units, the Units are implementing only those programs where the demand dictates. ***** Recently a joint Montana Tech-Model Cities Advisory Committee was formed to investigate expansion of programs and facilities at Tech. Specific objectives include: Expansion of facilities and programs for Montana Tech with concentration on programs to increase the economic, educational & cultural impact of the college on the community; and also projects which will be available for joint use by students and faculty at Tech and residents of the community. Working under the Advisory Committee's supervisor will be Joseph Monahan, who has been appointed to the newly created position of Program Development Specialist. This joint program is a result of funds that have been made available through the Model Cities Program and a Federal Office of Education grant. ***** Northern Montana College has implemented a new masters degree option under the Vo-Tech Education program this fall to provide a major in career guidance. ***** Primarily for the reason of excessive financial drain, Northern Montana College has dropped participation in intercollegiate football. A majority of faculty and students approved the decision. ***** Montana State University has streamlined its graduate programs in a move designed to prevent further escalation of costs and to consolidate its resources for on-going degree programs. The Master of

Science degree in Applied Science was ended, eliminating 20 advanced degree programs. ***** MSU expects to award its first Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Science this year. The degree is designed to produce "Computer Experts" for government and industry. ***** An important Cooperative Extension Service project, KEEP (Kellogg Extension Education Project), is in its second year with participants at MSU in October for a week of classes and seminars. Founded by the Kellogg Foundation for a 5-year period, the program aims to provide information to help develop rural leadership for the future. As a part of KEEP, a public affairs forum will be held Nov. 20 and 21 for persons in state administrative and legislative positions, con-con delegates, news editors and heads of various organizations. Topic will be "The Potential for Economic Growth in Montana." ***** University of Montana students have expanded opportunities and choice at both the undergraduate and graduate levels as a result of new offerings in interdisciplinary studies. ***** Both the undergraduate and graduate programs are undergoing critical examination at UM. Campus committees are reviewing the possibilities of program reductions and consolidations of allied programs. MSU and UM are jointly exploring methods of avoiding unnecessary duplication of graduate degree programs, of sharing human and physical resources and of enhancing graduate education at both institutions. ***** Contributions to the UM Library Book Fund now total \$120,000 in the campaign conducted by the Alumni Association. ***** Plans for a campus day care center for children of Eastern Montana College students are nearing completion. A request for funds is now before the Student Senate for initial operating expenses. The day care center staff will be headed by a full time professional director and will rent presently unoccupied residence hall space. Response to a survey taken during registration indicated at least 30 children of EMC students would be placed in the campus center. ***** With additional reports still coming in, records in the Teacher Placement Bureau at Northern Montana College reveal that 70 percent of the responding members of the Class of '72 teacher candidates secured teaching jobs for the 1972-73 academic year. A total of 92 percent located jobs, since 22 percent took jobs outside the

teaching field. A few have entered military service or are continuing their studies. Only 14 graduates have indicated they are still seeking jobs. ***** Montana coal resources are being extensively studied by the Montana Bureau of Mines and Geology at Montana Tech. In particular, S. L. Groff, Director of the Bureau, and his associates are concentrating on the vast Fort Union low-sulfur coal region in Eastern Montana which extends into northeastern Wyoming and western North Dakota. They are investigating mining possibilities in the area as well as reclamation of mined land.

STUDENTS--The Montana District of Circle K, representing 10 Treasure State campuses including all Units of the Montana University System, was judged the No. 1 district during the organization's international convention August 26-30 at Denver, Colo. Over 600 delegates from 30 districts in the U.S. and Canada attended the Denver meet, which also saw the University of Montana chapter voted the top club in its membership division. ***** New directions in student activism are in evidence at the University of Montana. Two sophomore honoraries, Spurs for women and Bear Paws for men, have expanded their activities to include charitable service projects off campus involving such efforts as assisting old people in rest homes, providing recreational programs for young special education students, and sponsoring forums on matters of public interest. ***** The traditional "kegger" has been turned to constructive use at the University of Montana. A group of students, involved with the Student Library Book Fund Drive, formed a corporation and sponsored a giant beer bust which attracted an attendance of 3,000 and garnered proceeds of \$1,600 for the book drive. ***** Montana State University marked "National Student Government Day" Sept. 26 by matching student leaders with their counterparts in the University Administration. Students spent the day on the job with the University decision makers, and their reaction to the program was enthusiastic. Said a student body business manager, Vaughn Baker, "I think this is just the beginning of better communication." ***** MSU President Carl W. McIntosh favors letting students, rather than administrators, assume responsibility

for allowing alcohol in campus dormitories. He said he will support recommendations from MSU's Deans of Students that administrative prohibition on possession and use of alcohol in any student's room be abolished in favor of restrictions established by the students themselves. ***** Students in the MSU Chaff and Dust Club, a group of plant and soil science majors, are planning expanded Ag-Career Days November 8 and 9, an outgrowth of a successful program last spring. More than 50 representatives from industry, government and voluntary services will be on campus for sessions with students, particularly agriculture majors. The goal is to promote communication between employers and prospective employees. ***** Iola Anglin, Western Montana College senior from Tendoy, Idaho, was crowned "Miss Rodeo Idaho" and advances to the "Miss Rodeo America" finals opening November 26 at Las Vegas, Nevada. ***** Striving to improve the community is the immediate goal of Montana Tech students in environmental engineering. About 20 projects are underway, according to Floyd Bossard, Head of the environmental engineering program. These involve recycling tin cans and newspapers, projects to determine trees and plants suitable to local environment, such as vegetation that will grow on tailings ponds and mine dumps, land reclamation along polluted Silver Bow Creek, and use of sewage sludge as a natural fertilizer from a plant on the creek. ***** Montana Tech's FM radio station is waiting for a construction permit from the FCC with hopes of being able to begin broadcasting by the end of December. The station will be of an educational nature.

FACILITIES--The remodeled University of Montana Student Health Service has reopened this fall with expanded and improved facilities to accommodate its 40,000 annual patient visits. ***** Research and teaching needs at UM will be facilitated by the newly installed PDP-10 computer in the Liberal Arts Building. ***** The Student Union Building at Montana Tech has been remodeled to accommodate student needs. The original SUB was built in 1960 to handle 350 students, but now has a capacity of 1500. ***** Montana Tech's dormitory has been transformed into cheerful, modern co-educational living quarters. Its capacity has been doubled from 100 to 200 and includes rooms for 70 women.

PERSONNEL --Montana State University settled the 110 day strike of its classified employees this summer with no new or outside money allocated. ***** The Dean of Letters at Can Tho University in South Viet Nam, Le Van Diem, is observing MSU's graduate program this fall under a federal internship. Diem, who plans to institute graduate studies at his school, chose MSU because its graduate programs are comprehensive and well organized. ***** New deans at the University of Montana are Robert Kiley, School of Fine Arts, and Robert F. Wambach, School of Forestry. Kiley, formerly with Central Michigan University, succeeds acting dean, John Lester, who has retired after 33 years with UM. Wambach, a UM graduate moves from associate dean to the top post, succeeding

Arnold Bolle who will return to teaching after 10 years as dean. ***** Charles Holmes is the new dean for the General Studies Division at Northern Montana College. Holmes who has been with Mansfield State College in Penn. the last 5 years, succeeds Louis W. Hagener who elected to devote more time to teaching and research at NMC following 20 years in the dean's post. ***** Dr. Wm. A. Garrison, Jr., Head of the Psychology Department at Eastern Montana College, died on August 24, 1972 at the age of 57. Dr. Garrison had been on the faculty of EMC since 1956. He was at one time Director of the Counseling Center, he helped establish campus ministry, was past president of the Montana Psychological Assn. and was active in community affairs.

CALENDAR

Oct. 27-28 - UM - Homecoming; Football vs. Boise State
Oct. 27-28 - Montana Tech - Homecoming; Football vs. Rocky Mountain College
Oct. 27-28 - EMC - Homecoming; Football vs. Minot State
Oct. 27-28 - WMC - Homecoming; Football vs. Carroll College
Nov. 4 - UM - Grizzlies vs. Bobcats Football, 1:30 p.m.
Nov. 9 - EMC - Wm. Rusher, Publisher NATIONAL REVIEW, 8:15 p.m., Petro Theatre
Nov. 10-11 - WMC - MUS English Teachers Conf.
Nov. 10-11 - WMC - Circle K. Convention

Nov. 10-11 - MSU - International Bazaar, Gallatin County Fairgrounds
Nov. 11 - MSU - Gordon Lightfoot, 8:00 p.m. Field House
Nov. 15 - MSU - Canadian Opera Company, 8:00 p.m., Willson Auditorium
Nov. 16 - UM - Pat Paulsen, 8:00 p.m., University Center Ballroom
Nov. 20 - EMC - "An Hour With Rod McKuen", 8:15 p.m., P.E. Building
Dec. 1 - MSU - American Brass Quintet, 8:00 p.m., SUB Theatre
Dec. 11-12 - Board of Regents Meeting, Helena

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